

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2002

Open to Public
Inspection

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2002 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____ and ending _____

B Check if applicable:

Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return
 Amended return
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type.
See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization

Creative Commons

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

559 Nathan Abbott Way

D Employer identification number

04-3585301

City or town

Stanford

State or country

CA

ZIP + 4

94305

►

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Web site: ► <http://www.creativecommons.org>J ORGANIZATION TYPE (check only one) ► 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) OR 527

K Check here ► if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. SOME STATES REQUIRE A COMPLETE RETURN.

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ► 2,017,584

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations.

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ►

H(c) Are all affiliates included? Yes No
(If "No," attach a list. See instructions.)H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No

I Enter 4-digit GEN ►

M Check ► if the organization is NOT required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See page 17 of the instructions.)

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:			
	a Direct public support	1a	2,015,000	
	b Indirect public support	1b		
	c Government contributions (grants)	1c		
	d TOTAL (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ 2,015,000 noncash \$)	1d	2,015,000	
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2		
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3		
	4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4	2,584	
	5 Dividends and interest from securities	5		
	6 a Gross rents	6a		
	b Less: rental expenses	6b		
	c Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	0	
	7 Other investment income (describe ►)	7		
	8 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	(B) Other	
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	8a		
	c Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	8b		
	d Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	8c	0	
	9 Special events and activities (attach schedule)	8d	0	
	a Gross revenue (not including contributions reported on line 1a) \$ of	9a		
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b		
	c Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	9c	0	
	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a		
	b Less: cost of goods sold	10b		
	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	10c	0	
	11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11		
	12 TOTAL REVENUE (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	12	2,017,584	
Expenses	13 Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13	522,774	
	14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14	55,461	
	15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15	14,654	
	16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16	0	
	17 TOTAL EXPENSES (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	17	592,889	
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	18	1,424,695	
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19	2,453	
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0	
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	21	1,427,148	

Form 8868

(December 2000)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceApplication for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1709

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box ►
- If you are filing for an **Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).

Note: Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time — Only submit original (no copies needed)

Note: Form 990-T corporations requesting an automatic 6-month extension — check this box and complete Part I only ►

All other corporations (including Form 990-C filers) must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Partnerships, REMICs and trusts must use Form 8736 to request an extension of time to file Form 1065, 1066, or 1041.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization <u>Creative Commons Corporation</u>	Employer Identification number <u>04-3585301</u>
File by the due date for filing your return. See Instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see Instructions. <u>559 Nathan Abbott Way</u>	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <u>Stanford, CA 94305-8610</u>	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870

• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ►

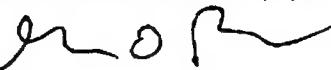
• If this is for a **Group Return**, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ► . If it is for part of the group, check this box ► and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover.

- 1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-month, for 990-T corporation) extension of time until 8-15, 20 03, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 - calendar year 20 02 or
 - tax year beginning _____, 20 ___, and ending _____, 20 ___.
- 2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period
- 3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$ _____
- b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit \$ _____
- c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$ _____

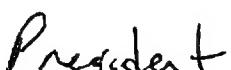
Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

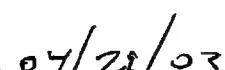
Signature ►



Title ►



Date ►



For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instruction

Form 8868 (12-2000)

Part II

Statement of
Functional Expenses

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others. (See page 21 of the instructions.)

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22	Grants and allocations (attach schedule)	22	0		
	(cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____)				
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23	0		
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24	0		
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc.	25	0		
26	Other salaries and wages	26	147,494	117,996	22,123
27	Pension plan contributions	27	0		
28	Other employee benefits	28	1,962	1,570	294
29	Payroll taxes	29	12,202	9,762	1,830
30	Professional fundraising fees	30	0		
31	Accounting fees	31	2,873		2,873
32	Legal fees	32	2,844		2,844
33	Supplies	33	8,874	7,099	1,331
34	Telephone	34	7,911	6,328	1,187
35	Postage and shipping	35	0		
36	Occupancy	36	6,000	4,800	900
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	37	0		
38	Printing and publications	38	0		
39	Travel	39	40,572	32,457	6,086
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	0		
41	Interest	41	0		
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	42	1,808	1,446	271
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize): a _____	43a	0		
b	Consulting and design	43b	151,688	140,055	11,633
c	Website development and hosting	43c	179,453	179,453	0
d	Insurance	43d	27,260	21,808	4,089
e	Other	43e	1,948		1,948
f		43f	0		
44	TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES (add lines 22 through 43). ORGANIZATIONS COMPLETING COLUMNS (B)-(D). CARRY THESE TOTALS TO LINES 13-15	44	592,889	522,774	55,461
					14,654

JOINT COSTS. Check ► if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? ► Yes No

If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____;

(iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See page 24 of the instructions.)

Program Service
Expenses

Required for 501(c)(3) and
(4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1)
trusts; but optional for
others.)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ► To build a layer of reasonable, flexible copyright.
All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number
of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4)
organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)

a SEE STATEMENT 1

(Grants and allocations \$ _____)

522,774

b

(Grants and allocations \$ _____)

c

(Grants and allocations \$ _____)

d

(Grants and allocations \$ _____)

e Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations \$ _____)

f TOTAL OF PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ► 522,774

Part IV Balance Sheets (See page 24 of the instructions.)

			(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
	Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only.			
	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing		0	45 0
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments		0	46 525,415
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	0	0 47c 0
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a	0	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	0	0 48c 0
	49 Grants receivable		0	49 900,000
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule) See Statement 4		0	50 20,979
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)	51a	0	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	0	0 51c 0
	52 Inventories for sale or use		0	52 0
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		0	53 0
	54 Investments - securities (attach schedule) ► <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		0	54 0
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a	0	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55b	0	0 55c 0
	56 Investments - other (attach schedule)		0	56 0
	57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a	8,394	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) See Statement 2	57b	1,808	2,453 57c 6,586
	58 Other assets (describe ► _____)		0	58 0
	59 TOTAL ASSETS (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)		2,453	59 1,452,980
	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		0	60 25,832
	61 Grants payable		0	61 0
	62 Deferred revenue		0	62 0
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		0	63 0
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		0	64a 0
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		0	64b 0
	65 Other liabilities (describe ► _____)		0	65 0
	66 TOTAL LIABILITIES (add lines 60 through 65)		0	66 25,832
	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.			
	67 Unrestricted	2,453	67	527,148
	68 Temporarily restricted	0	68	900,000
	69 Permanently restricted	0	69	0
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	0	70	0
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund	0	71	0
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	72	0
	73 TOTAL NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES (add lines 67 through 69 OR lines 70 through 72; column (A) MUST equal line 19; column (B) MUST equal line 21)	2,453	73	1,427,148
	74 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS / FUND BALANCES (add lines 66 and 73)	2,453	74	1,452,980

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

Part IV Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See page 26 of the instructions.)		Part IV Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return		
a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . ►	a	2,245,488	
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990:			
(1)	Net unrealized gains on investments . . . \$			
(2)	Donated services and use of facilities . . . \$ 227,904			
(3)	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . \$			
(4)	Other (specify): \$			
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4) . . . ►	b	227,904	
c	Line a minus line b ►	c	2,017,584	
d	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a:			
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 . . . \$			
(2)	Other (specify): \$			
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2) . . . ►	d	0	
e	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d) ►	e	2,017,584	
Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (See page 26 of the instructions.)		(List each one even if not compensated; see page 26 of the instructions.)		
(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (IF NOT PAID, ENTER -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
Molly Van Houweling 559 Nathan Abbott Way Stanford, CA 94305	Executive director (Jan - Jun) 40 hours per week	27,000	0	0
Glenn Otis Brown 559 Nathan Abbott Way Stanford, CA 94305	Executive director 40 hours per week	77,108	1,123	0
Neeru Paharia 559 Nathan Abbott Way Stanford, CA 94305	Assitant Director 40 hours per week	27,000	839	0
Officers and Directors: see Statement 3				

15 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations? ► Yes No

If "Yes," attach schedule-see page 26 of the instructions.

Part VI Other Information (See page 27 of the instructions.)		Yes	No
76	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.	76 77	X X
78 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	78a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on FORM 990-T for this year?	78b	
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79	X
80 a	Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?	80a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the organization ► N/A		
	and check whether it is <input type="checkbox"/> exempt OR <input type="checkbox"/> nonexempt.		
81 a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures. See line 81 instructions	81a	0
b	Did the organization file FORM 1120-POL for this year?	81b	X
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?	82a	X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III. See Stmt 5	82b	227,904
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	83a	X
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	83b	X
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?	84a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	84b	
85	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations. a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?	85a	
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, DO NOT complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.	85b	
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85c	N/A
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85d	N/A
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85e	N/A
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85f	N/A
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?	85g	
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?	85h	
86	501(c)(7) orgs. Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12	86a	N/A
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86b	N/A
87	501(c)(12) orgs. Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders	87a	N/A
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	87b	N/A
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX	88	X
89 a	501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ► 0 ; section 4912 ► 0 ; section 4955 ► 0	89b	
b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) orgs. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction		
c	Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		0
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization		0
90 a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► California		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2002 (See instructions.)	90b	2
91	The books are in care of ► The Organization	Telephone no.	► 650-724-3717
	Located at ► 559 Nathan Abbott Way, Standford, CA	ZIP + 4	► 94305
92	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of FORM 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	► 92	► <input type="checkbox"/> N/A

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

**(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust**
Supplementary Information - (See separate instructions.)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2002

MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Creative Commons

04-3585301

Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000				

Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Openforce 580 Broadway New York, NY 10012	Website design & hosting	150,500

Total number of others receiving over
\$50,000 for professional services .

Part VI Statements About Activities (See page 2 of the instructions.)			Yes	No
1	During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities	\$ 0 (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.)	1	X
Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes," must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.				
2	During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)			
2a	a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?			X
2b	b Lending of money or other extension of credit? See Statement 4			X
2c	c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?			X
2d	d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? See 990 Part V			X
2e	e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?			X
3	3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (See NOTE below.)			X
4	4 Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?			X
Note: Attach a statement to explain how the organization determines that individuals or organizations receiving grants or loans from it in furtherance of its charitable programs "qualify" to receive payments.				

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 3 through 5 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only ONE applicable box.)

- 5 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6 A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8 A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). ENTER THE HOSPITAL'S NAME, CITY, AND STATE _____
- 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the SUPPORT SCHEDULE in Part IV-A.)
- 11 a An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the SUPPORT SCHEDULE in Part IV-A.)
- 11 b A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the SUPPORT SCHEDULE in Part IV-A.)
- 12 An organization that normally receives: (1) MORE THAN 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) NO MORE THAN 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the SUPPORT SCHEDULE in Part IV-A.)
- 13 An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 5 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14 An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 5 of the instructions.)

Part V-A**Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) USE CASH METHOD OF ACCOUNTING.**Note:** You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
~ Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	2,453				2,453
16 Membership fees received					0
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose					0
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975					0
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					0
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					0
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					0
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					0
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	2,453	0	0	0	2,453
Line 23 minus line 17	2,453	0	0	0	2,453
~ Enter 1% of line 23	25	0	0	0	
26 ORGANIZATIONS DESCRIBED ON LINES 10 OR 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24				26a	49
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1998 through 2001 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. DO NOT FILE THIS LIST WITH YOUR RETURN. Enter the total of all these excess amounts				26b	N/A
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)				26c	2,453
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 <u>0</u> 19 <u>0</u> 22 <u>0</u> 26b <u>N/A</u>				26d	0
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)				26e	2,453
f PUBLIC SUPPORT PERCENTAGE (LINE 26E (NUMERATOR) DIVIDED BY LINE 26C (DENOMINATOR))				26f	100.00%
27 ORGANIZATIONS DESCRIBED ON LINE 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." DO NOT FILE THIS LIST WITH YOUR RETURN. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year:					
(2001) <u>N/A</u> (2000) <u>N/A</u> (1999) <u>N/A</u> (1998) <u>N/A</u>					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the LARGER of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) DO NOT FILE THIS LIST WITH YOUR RETURN. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year:					
(2001) <u>N/A</u> (2000) <u>N/A</u> (1999) <u>N/A</u> (1998) <u>N/A</u>					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 <u>0</u> 16 <u>0</u> 17 <u>0</u> 20 <u>0</u> 21 <u>0</u>				27c	0
d Add: Line 27a total <u>0</u> and line 27b total <u>0</u>				27d	0
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)				27e	0
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e)			27f	0	
g PUBLIC SUPPORT PERCENTAGE (LINE 27E (NUMERATOR) DIVIDED BY LINE 27F (DENOMINATOR))			27g	0.00%	
h INVESTMENT INCOME PERCENTAGE (LINE 18, COLUMN (E) (NUMERATOR) DIVIDED BY LINE 27F (DENOMINATOR))			27h	0.00%	
28 UNUSUAL GRANTS: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1998 through 2001, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. DO NOT FILE THIS LIST WITH YOUR RETURN. Do not include these grants in line 15.					

Part V**Private School Questionnaire** (See page 7 of the instructions.)
(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?

30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?

31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves?
If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)

	Yes	No
29		
30		
31		
32a		
32b		
32c		
32d		
33a		
33b		
33c		
33d		
33e		
33f		
33g		
33h		
34a		
34b		
35		

If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)

32 Does the organization maintain the following:

a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?

b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?

c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?

d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)

33 a Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:

a Students' rights or privileges?

b Admissions policies?

c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?

d Scholarships or other financial assistance?

e Educational policies?

f Use of facilities?

g Athletic programs?

h Other extracurricular activities?

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)

34 a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?

b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?
If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.

35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation

ANSWER

Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions.)
(To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

a if the organization belongs to an affiliated group. Check **b** if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply.

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.)

See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 11 of the instructions.)

		Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)		(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	(e) Total
45	Lobbying nontaxable amount					0
46	Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e)) . . .	■■■■■	■■■■■	■■■■■	■■■■■	0
47	Total lobbying expenditures					0
48	Grassroots nontaxable amount	0				0
49	Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e)) . . .	■■■■■	■■■■■	■■■■■	■■■■■	0
50	Grassroots lobbying expenditures	0				0

Part VI-B

Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 11 of the instructions.)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:

- a Volunteers
- b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)
- c Media advertisements
- d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines c through h.)

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

Yes	No	N/A	Amount
	X		
	X		
	X		0
	X		0
	X		0
	X		0
	X		0
	X		0
			0

Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See page 12 of the instructions.)

Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations? _____

a Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

(i) Cash
(ii) Other assets

b Other transactions:

- (i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization
- (ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization
- (iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets
- (iv) Reimbursement arrangements
- (v) Loans or loan guarantees
- (vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

c. Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received:

52 a Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527?

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule:

Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

OMB No. 1545-0047

Schedule of ContributorsSupplementary Information for
line 1 of Form 990, 990-EZ and 990-PF (see instructions)**2002****Name of organization****Employer identification number**

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ORGANIZATION TYPE (check one):

Filers of:**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust NOT treated as a private foundation 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the GENERAL RULE or a SPECIAL RULE. (NOTE: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check box(es) for both the General rule and a Special rule - see instructions.)

General Rule - For organizations filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)**Special Rules -** For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1)/170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of \$5,000 or 2% of the amount on line 1 of these forms. (Complete Parts I and II.) For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests of more than \$1,000 for use exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. (Complete Parts I, II, and III.) For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusively religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the Parts unless the GENERAL RULE applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year.) \$ _____

CAUTION: Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but they MUST check the box in the heading of their Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or on line 1 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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 Contributors (See Specific Instructions.)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation 140 S. Dearborn Street Chicago, IL 60603-5285	\$ 1,200,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	Center for the Public Domain 2525 Meridian Parkway, Suite 200 Durham, NC 27713	\$ 815,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
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		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

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Noncash Property (See Specific Instructions.)

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$ _____	

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Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations aggregating more than \$1,000 for the year. (Complete columns (a) through (e) AND the following line entry.)

For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 OR LESS for the year (Enter this information once—see instructions) . . . \$

STATEMENT 1**"SOME RIGHTS RESERVED": BUILDING A LAYER OF REASONABLE COPYRIGHT**

Too often the debate over creative control tends to the extremes. At one pole is a vision of total control – a world in which every last use of a work is regulated and in which “all rights reserved” (and then some) is the norm. At the other end is a vision of anarchy – a world in which creators enjoy a wide range of freedom but are left vulnerable to exploitation. Balance, compromise, and moderation – once the driving forces of a copyright system that valued innovation and protection equally – have become endangered species.

Creative Commons is working to revive them. We use private rights to create public goods: creative works set free for certain uses. Like the free software and open-source movements, our ends are cooperative and community-minded, but our means are voluntary and libertarian. We work to offer creators a best-of-both-worlds way to protect their works while encouraging certain uses of them – to declare “some rights reserved.”

Thus, a single goal unites Creative Commons’ current and future projects: to build a layer of reasonable, flexible copyright in the face of increasingly restrictive default rules.

Creative Commons Licenses: In December 2002, we launched our suite of Creative Commons copyright licenses. Each license allows an author to retain his or her copyright while allowing certain uses of his or her work. And most important, these freedoms associated with a particular work get expressed in machine-readable form. Creators come to our site and, from an intuitive menu, choose the combination of conditions that best reflects their preference. The options include an attribution requirement; a prohibition on commercial use; a restriction on derivative works; and a requirement that licensees “share alike” by releasing derived content under the same license they received.

The International Commons (iCommons): Launched in 2003, iCommons is an extension of our licensing project, dedicated to the drafting and eventual adoption of country-specific licenses. Imagine our licenses as the legal code processed by the respective legal “operating systems” of various countries. The aim of iCommons is to port the licenses for use across those different legal operating systems. This will involve both the literal and legal translation of the licenses by teams of volunteers in various countries around the world. Christiane Asschenfeldt, a German lawyer expert in copyright, has been hired to direct the iCommons project.

Founders' Copyright: The Framers of the U.S. Constitution understood that copyright was about balance – a trade-off between public and private gain, society-wide innovation and creative reward. In 1790, the U.S.'s first copyright law granted authors a monopoly right over their creations for 14 years, with the option of renewing that monopoly for another 14 years. The Founders' Copyright is a legal tool that lets copyright holders voluntarily re-create this policy by promising to release their work to the public domain after a 14- or 28-year term. The first adopter of the Founders' Copyright is O'Reilly & Associates, world-renowned publishers of technology handbooks. O'Reilly has released hundreds of titles under the Founders' Copyright.

Several others authors have volunteered to free their content under the FC license, and we have recently launched a web-based process by which more can participate.

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Statement 2

Part II, Line 42

Part IV, Line 57b

Fixed Asset Schedule

<u>Date of acquisition</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>NBV</u>
12/31/2002	\$ 2,453	Donated computers	3	\$ 818	\$ 1,635
6/30/2002	5,941	Computers	3	990	4,951
Total	<u>\$ 8,394</u>			<u>\$ 1,808</u>	<u>\$ 6,586</u>

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Statement 3
Form 990
Part V
List of Officers, Directors, Trustee, and Key Employees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title and average hours</u>
Lawrence Lessig	Chairman/as needed
James Boyle	Director/as needed
Michael Carroll	Director/as needed
Eric Eldred	Director/as needed
Eric Saltzman	Director/as needed
Hal Abelson	Director/as needed
Diane Cabell	Assistant Treasurer and Corporate Clerk as needed
Molly Van Houweling	Director/as needed

Officers and Directors above serve without compensation.

The address for all directors and officers is:

559 Nathan Abbott Way
Stanford, CA 94305

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Statement 4
Form 990
Part IV
Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees

STATEMENT OF LOAN MADE TO OFFICER

At the time of hire, Glenn Otis Brown, Executive Director of Creative Commons, was offered a loan for \$20,000 as part of his salary package, to help him cover his initial moving expenses from Austin, Texas to San Francisco, California. Interest began accrual as of April 1st, 2002. Loan repayment, commences on March 15th, 2003.

- Glenn Otis Brown is the Executive Director of Creative Commons, and the President and Treasurer of Creative Commons
- Loan amount: \$20,000
- Date of Note: April 1, 2002
- Maturity Date: January 2006
- Terms, 5% interest compounded monthly, payments of \$630.1 per month

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Statement 5
Form 990
Part VI Line 82b
Donated Services

Creative Commons has received generous pro bono legal services from Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich, & Rosati, Cooley Godward, and Hale & Dorr, which has amounted to the following for 2002:

Cooley Godward:	\$82,550
Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich, & Rosati:	\$91,712
Hale & Dorr:	\$53,642

Total 2002 Pro-Bono Legal Services:

\$227,904

YEAR

California Exempt Organization 2002 Annual Information Return

FORM

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For calendar or fiscal year beginning month _____ day _____ year 2002, and ending month _____ day _____ year _____.

IMPORTANT: Your number is required.

California corporation number	Federal employer identification number
2412448	04-3585301

**Attach Preaddressed Label
or See Instructions**

Corporation/Organization name

Creative Commons

Address	APT no.	PMB no.
559 Nathan Abbott Way		600
City	State	ZIP Code
Stanford	CA	94305

A Final return? Yes. Check applicable box. No Dissolved Withdrawn Merged/Reorganized (attach explan.)

If a box is checked, enter date _____

B Check forms filed this year: State: 109 100 100S 100WFederal: 990 990EZ 990T 990PF 1041 1120H 1120C If organization is exempt under R&TC Section 23701d and is a school, public charity, religious organization, or is controlled by a religious operation, check box. See General Instruction F. No filing fee is required. Yes NoD Is this a group filing? See General Instruction M. Yes NoE Accounting method used AccrualF Type of organization Exempt under Section 23701 (insert letter) IRC Section 4947(a)(1) trust**Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Instructions B and C.**

Receipts and Revenues (Attach check or money order here.)	1 Gross sales or receipts from other sources. From Side 2, Part II, line 8	1	
	2 Gross dues and assessments from members and affiliates	2	0.
	3 Gross contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received. See instructions	3	
	4 Total gross receipts for filing requirement test. Add line 1 through line 3 THIS LINE MUST BE COMPLETED. If the result is less than \$25,000, see General Instruction C	4	2,017,584.
	5 Cost of goods sold	5	
	6 Cost or other basis, and sales expenses of assets sold	6	
	7 Total costs. Add line 5 and line 6	7	0.
	8 Total gross income. Subtract line 7 from line 4	8	2,017,584.
Expenses	9 Total expenses and disbursements. From Side 2, Part II, line 18	9	592,889.
	10 Excess of receipts over expenses and disbursements. Subtract line 9 from line 8	10	1,424,695.
Filing Fee	11 Filing fee \$10 or \$25. See General Instruction F	11	10.
	12 Penalty for failure to file on time. See General Instruction L	12	
	13 Balance due. Add line 11 and line 12	13	10.

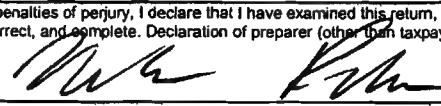
14 If exempt under R&TC Section 23701d, has the organization during the year: (1) participated in any political campaign or (2) attempted to influence legislation or any ballot measure, or (3) made an election under R&TC Section 23704.5 (relating to lobbying by public charities)? If "Yes," complete and attach form FTB 3509, Political or Legislative Activities by Section 23701d Organizations Yes No

15 Did the organization have any changes in its activities, governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws that have not been reported to the Franchise Tax Board? If "Yes," complete an explanation and attach copies of revised documents Yes No

16 Is the organization exempt under R&TC Section 23701g? Yes No
If "Yes," enter amount of gross receipts from nonmember sources \$ _____

17 Did the organization file Form 100, Form 100S, 100W, or Form 109 to report taxable income? Yes No
If "Yes," enter amount of total income reported \$ _____

18 The financial records are in care of The Organization Daytime telephone 650-724-3717located at 559 Nathan Abbott Way, Standford, CA 94305

Please Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.		
		11/14/03	Date
	Signature of officer		Treasurer
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature ► <i>Crosby & Kaneda</i>	Date 11/17/2003	Title Preparer's SSN or PTIN FEIN 94-3243888
	Firm's name (or yours, if self-employed) and address ► <i>Crosby and Kaneda, CPAs</i>		Daytime telephone 510-835-2727
	1611 Telegraph Ave., Ste 318		
	Oakland CA 94612		

SEE ATTACHED 990

Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than \$25,000 and private foundations regardless of amount of gross receipts - complete Part II or furnish substitute information. See Specific Line Instructions.

Receipts from Other Sources	1 Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions	1
	2 Interest	2
	3 Dividends	3
	4 Gross rents	4
	5 Gross royalties	5
	6 Gross amount received from sale of assets	6
	7 Other income. Attach schedule	7
	8 TOTAL gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1	8
Expenses and Disbursements	9 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule	9
	10 Disbursements to or for members	10
	11 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule	11
	12 Other salaries and wages	12
	13 Interest	13
	14 Taxes	14
	15 Rents	15
	16 Depreciation and depletion	16
	17 Other. Attach schedule	17
	18 TOTAL expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9	18
0		

Schedule L Balance Sheets	Beginning of taxable year		End of taxable year	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Assets				
1 Cash				
2 Net accounts receivable				
3 Net notes receivable. Attach schedule				
4 Inventories				
5 Federal and state government obligations				
6 Investments in other bonds. Attach schedule				
7 Investments in stock. Attach schedule				
8 Mortgage loans (number of loans _____)				
9 Other investments. Attach schedule				
10 a Depreciable assets				
b Less accumulated depreciation	(_____))
11 Land				
12 Other assets. Attach schedule				
13 Total assets				
Liabilities and net worth				
14 Accounts payable				
15 Contributions, gifts, or grants payable				
16 Bonds and notes payable. Attach schedule				
17 Mortgages payable				
18 Other liabilities. Attach schedule				
19 Capital stock or principle fund				
20 Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation				
21 Retained earnings or income fund				
22 Total liabilities and net worth				

Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return

Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than \$25,000

1 Net income per books		7 Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach schedule	
2 Federal income tax		8 Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule	
3 Excess of capital losses over capital gains		9 Total. Add line 7 and line 8	
4 Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule		10 Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6	
5 Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule			
6 Total. Add line 1 through line 5	0.		

MAIL TO:

Registry of Charitable Trusts
 P.O. Box 903447
 Sacramento, CA 94203-4470
 Telephone: (916) 445-2021

2002
REGISTRATION/RENEWAL FEE REPORT
TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA
Sections 12586 and 12587, California Government Code
11 CCR Sections 311 and 312

WEBSITE ADDRESS:
<http://ag.ca.gov/charities/>

Failure to submit this report annually no later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the organization's accounting period may result in the loss of tax exemption and assessment of a minimum tax of \$800, plus interest, and/or fines or filing penalties as defined in Government Code Section 12586.1.

RRF-1 EXTENSIONS WILL NOT BE GRANTED
Enter State Charity Registration Number, Name, and Address of Organization Below:
State Charity Registration Number 117756

Check if:

Change of address
 Initial report
 Amended report
 Final report

Creative Commons

Name of Organization

559 Nathan Abbott Way

Address (Number and Street)

Stanford, CA 94305

City or Town, State and ZIP Code

Corporate or Organization No. 2412448
Federal Employer I.D. No. 04-3585301
PART A - ACTIVITIES

1.	During your MOST RECENT FULL ACCOUNTING PERIOD did your gross receipts or total assets equal \$100,000 or more?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(a) If the answer is yes, you are required by Title 11 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 311 and 312, to attach a check in the amount of \$25.00 to this report. Make check payable to Department of Justice.			
For your MOST RECENT FULL ACCOUNTING PERIOD (beginning <u>01/01/2002</u> ending <u>12/31/2002</u>) list:			
Gross receipts \$ <u>2,017,584</u>		Total assets \$ <u>1,452,980</u>	Actual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estimated _____

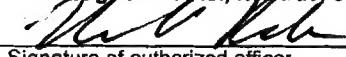
PART B - STATEMENTS REGARDING ORGANIZATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT

Note: If you answer "yes" to any of the questions below, you must attach a separate sheet providing an explanation and details for each "yes" response. Please review RRF-1 Instructions for information required.

1.	During this reporting period, were there any contracts, loans, leases or other financial transactions between the organization and any officer, director or trustee thereof either directly or with an entity in which any such officer, director or trustee had any financial interest? See attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2.	During this reporting period, was there any theft, embezzlement, diversion or misuse of the organization's charitable property or funds?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.	During this reporting period, did nonprogram expenditures exceed at least 50% of gross revenues?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.	During this reporting period, were any organization funds used to pay any penalty, fine or judgment? If you filed a Form 4720 with the Internal Revenue Service, attach a copy.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
5.	During this reporting period, were the services of a professional fund-raiser or fund-raising counsel used? If "yes," provide an attachment listing the name, address, and telephone number of the service provider.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6.	During this reporting period, did the organization receive any governmental funding? If so, provide an attachment listing the name of the agency, mailing address, contact person, and telephone number.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

 Organization's area code and telephone number 650-724-3717

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined this report, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.



 Printed Name Neeru Paharia

 Title Treasurer

 Date November 14, 03

Creative Commons

CT#117756
Year Ended December 31, 2002

Form RRF-1
Part B Line 1
Loan to key employee

STATEMENT OF LOAN MADE TO OFFICER

At the time of hire, Glenn Otis Brown, Executive Director of Creative Commons, was offered a loan for \$20,000 as part of his salary package, to help him cover his initial moving expenses from Austin, Texas to San Francisco, California. Interest began accrual as of April 1st, 2002. Loan repayment, commences on March 15th, 2003.

- Glenn Otis Brown is the Executive Director of Creative Commons, and the President and Treasurer of Creative Commons
- Loan amount: \$20,000
- Date of Note: April 1, 2002
- Maturity Date: January 2006
- Terms, 5% interest compounded monthly, payments of \$630.1 per month

Form 8868

(December 2000)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceApplication for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1708

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I and check this box ►
- If you are filing for an Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).

Note: Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time—Only submit original (no copies needed)

Note: Form 990-T corporations requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete Part I only ►

All other corporations (including Form 990-C filers) must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns. Partnerships, REMICs and trusts must use Form 8736 to request an extension of time to file Form 1065, 1066, or 1041.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization <i>Creative Commons Corporation</i>	Employer identification number <i>04 13685301</i>
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <i>559 Nathan Abbott Way</i>	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <i>Stanford, CA 94305</i>	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ►
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ► . If it is for part of the group, check this box ► and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-month, for 990-T corporation) extension of time until *August 15, 2004*, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 ► calendar year 2003 or
 ► tax year beginning , 20..., and ending , 20....

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$

b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit \$

c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ►

Title ► Treasurer

Date ► April 8, 2004

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- If you are filing for an Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II and check this box . . . ►
- Note: Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.
- If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I (on page 1).

Part II Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time—Must File Original and One Copy.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization <i>Civic Commons Corporation</i>	Employer identification number <i>04-3585301</i>
File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <i>559 Nathan Abbott Way</i>	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <i>Stanford, CA 94305</i>	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

Form 990 Form 990-EZ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) Form 1041-A Form 5227 Form 8870
 Form 990-BL Form 990-PF Form 990-T (trust other than above) Form 4720 Form 6069

STOP: Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ►
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ► . If it is for part of the group, check this box ► and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until Aug. November 15, 2004
 5 For calendar year 2003, or other tax year beginning 2003 and ending 2004.
 6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period
 7 State in detail why you need the extension We are in the process of preparing our returns but need more time to complete an accurate statement.

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$ _____
 b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868 \$ _____
 c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$ NA

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ►

Title ► *Treasurer*Date ► August 2nd, 2004**Notice to Applicant—To Be Completed by the IRS**

We have approved this application. Please attach this form to the organization's return.
 We have not approved this application. However, we have granted a 10-day grace period from the later of the date shown below or the due date of the organization's return (including any prior extensions). This grace period is considered to be a valid extension of time for elections otherwise required to be made on a timely return. Please attach this form to the organization's return.
 We have not approved this application. After considering the reasons stated in item 7, we cannot grant your request for an extension of time to file. We are not granting a 10-day grace period.
 We cannot consider this application because it was filed after the due date of the return for which an extension was requested.
 Other

Director

By: _____

Date

Alternate Mailing Address — Enter the address if you want the copy of this application for an additional 3-month extension returned to an address different than the one entered above.

Type or print	Name _____
	Number and street (include suite, room, or apt. no.) Or a P.O. box number _____
	City or town, province or state, and country (including postal or ZIP code) _____

EXTENSION APPROVED**AUG 17 2004**FIELD DIRECTOR,
SUBMISSION PROCESSING OGDEN